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E.O. 11652: GDS
SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF MAAG NORWAY

REF: STATE 201994/1 (NOTAL)

1. AUGUST 16, AND 17 RESPECTIVELY, I INFORMED GON MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FRYDENLUND AND MINISTER OF DEFENSE HANSEN SEPARATELY OF USG DECISION TO TERMINATE MAAG NORWAY. IT WAS APPARENT THAT THE SUBJECT CAME AS NO SURPRISE TO EITHER GENTLEMAN. FRYDENLUND SAID HE SAW NO PROBLEMS WITH THE CHANGE AND THOUGHT IT WAS REASONABLE SINCE THE DEFENSE ASSISTANCE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES HAD MATURED. HE ACCEPTED MY COMMENTS THAT THE TERMINATION IMPLIED NO REDUCTION IN US COMMITMENT TO SUPPORT OF NORWAY OR NATO.

2. MOD HANSEN STATED THAT NORWAY IS STILL LARGELY DEPENDENT ON US FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE; HOWEVER, THE MAAG AS SUCH HAD LARGELY FULFILLED ITS MISSION. HE INDICATED A CORDIAL WILLINGNESS TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARD AN ORDERLY ASSUMPTION BY HIS PEOPLE OF THOSE MAAG ACTIVITIES THEY COULD LOGICALLY PERFORM FOR THEMSELVES. HE SHARED MY CONCERN
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FOR THE LOCAL NATIONALS AFFECTED AND STATED THE MINISTRY

WOULD ATTEMPT TO EMPLOY SOME OF THEM, IF POSSIBLE.

3. IN VIEW OF GON'S RECEPTIVE ATTITUDE TO THE INFORMAL NOTIFICATION AND WHEREAS NO MODIFICATION TO THE USG/GON MUTUAL DEFENSE ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT OF 27 JAN 1950 IS NECESSARY, I SUGGEST THAT FORMAL NOTIFICATION TO GON ON SUBJECT MAY NOT BE REQUIRED; HOWEVER, IF THE DEPARTMENT CONSIDERS FORMAL NOTIFICATION ADVISABLE AND / OR NECESSARY, THEN I RECOMMEND IT BE DONE IN A LOW KEY MANNER SO AS NOT TO IMPLY ANY REDUCTION IN OUR BASIC SUPPORT OF NORWAY'S DEFENSE.

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